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Applicants: WITHOLD NETER ET AL. Docket No.: 13201.00137

Serial No.: NYA

Examiner: T. Heitbrink

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Art Unit: 1722

For: POST MOLD COOLING  
APPARATUS (AS AMENDED)

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: Special Program Examiner GAU 1700

**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.102**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner to advance examination of this application pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(d) and MPEP 708.02(II) based on the existence of an infringing device currently being marketed and sold in the United States.

**A. INFRINGING DEVICE ON THE MARKET**

The undersigned states that there is an infringing device, product or method actually on the market in the United States.

B. COMPARISON OF CLAIMS TO DEVICE

The Undersigned has conducted a rigid comparison of the infringing device, product or method with the claims of the subject application, and in the opinion of the undersigned, at least several of the claims are unquestionably infringed.

C. PRIOR ART SEARCH

The undersigned has a good knowledge of the pertinent prior art and has provided one copy of each of the references deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims.

**CONCLUSION**

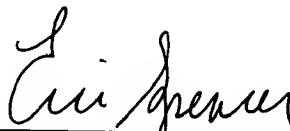
It is respectfully requested that examination of the application be advanced in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the appropriate fee for a Petition to Make Special in accordance with 37 CFR 1.17(i) to Deposit Account 50-1710.

Should the Commissioner determine that an additional fee is due, he is hereby authorized to charge said fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1710.

Respectfully submitted,

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